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FM AMEMBASSY TEL AVV

TO SECSTATE WASHDC 5692

INFO AMEMBASSY AMMAN

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AMEMBASSY CAIRO

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E.O.11652: N/A

TAGS: PFOR, PINS, IS, LE

SUBJECT: TERRORIST INCIDENT ON LEBANESE BORDER FEB 22

1. ACCORDING IDF SPOKESMAN ONE TERRORIST WAS KILLED BY AN IDF PATROL EVENING OF FEB 22 IMMEDIATELY AFTER INFILTRATING THROUGH BORDER SECURITY FENCE FROM LEBANON NORTH OF MOSHAV SHETUAL (E35 19 N33 05). REMAINDER OF FEDAYEEN GROUP REPORTEDLY FLED WITHOUT ATTEMPTING TO CROSS FENCE.

2. ISRAELI PRESS REPORTS THAT DEAD TERRORIST CARRIED LEAFLETS CONNECTING GROUP WITH PDFLP. LEAFLETS ALSO WERE SAID TO SHOW THAT INTENTION OF GROUP WAS TO SEIZE HOSTAGES AND NEGOTIATE THROUGH FRENCH AMBASSADOR FOR RELEASE OF FIVE TERRORISTS PRISONERS, INCLUDING ARCHBISHOP CAPUCCI. RELEASED PRISONERS AND HOSTAGES WERE REPORTEDLY TO HAVE BEEN FLOWN TO DAMASCUS.

3. COMMENT: LATEST INFILTRATION ATTEMPT BREAKS MONTH-LONG PERIOD OF RELATIVE QUIET ALONG LEBANESE BORDER. ONLY LIMITED OFFICIAL USE

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PRESS SPECULATION THUS FAR IS IN JERUSALEM POST, WHICH

POINTS OUT THT PDFLP LEADER HAWATMEH, UNLIKE HABASH,
REMAINS" AN ACTIVE ALLY" OF ARAFAT AND CONCLUDES THAT
FEB 22 ATTEMPT PRESSAGES RENEWL OF TERRORIST ATTACKS
FROM SOUTHERN LEBANON SPONSORED BY PLO IN EFFORT TO
UNDERMINE US EFFORTS AT POLITICAL
SETTLEMENT. POST NOTES THAT DECISION TO THIS EFFECT
WAS TAKEN LAST WEEK BY LEADRS OF PLO COMPONENT ORGAN-
IZATIONS MEETING IN BEIRUT. WE WILL BE SEEING ISRAELI
OFFICIALS DEALING WITH WEST BANK AND PALESTINIAN MATTERS
IN NEXT FEW DAYS, WE WOULD WELCOME BEIRUT COMMENTS ON
THIS INTERPRETATION.
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